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the President, the following persons were declared duly elected members of the Society :—
Cav. Damiano Muoni, of Milan.
Mr. Charles Francis Adams, of Boston.
Mr. Henry Wharton, of Philadelphia.
Mr. Charles A. Ashburner, of Philadelphia.
Mr. Robert C. Winthrop, of Boston.
Mr. Archibald Geikie, of Edinburgh.
Dr. Oliver Wendell Holmes, of Boston.
Mr. George Whitney, of Philadelphia.

And the meeting was adjourned.

## Stated Meeting, February 6, 1880.

## Present, 14 members.

## President, Mr. FRALEY, in the Chair.

Letters accepting membership were received from Robert C. Winthrop, 90 Marlborough Street, Boston, January 23; Henry Wharton, 2011 Delancey Place, Philadelphia, January 19; Charles A. Ashburner, 9 Woodland Terrace, West Philadelphia, January 28; Charles Francis Adams, Boston, January 22; and Oliver Wendell Holmes, M. D., Boston, January 23.

Letters of acknowledgment and postal cards (Proc. 104), were received from many correspondents and members.

Letters of envoy were received from the London Meteorological Office, December, 1879, and the Royal Society of New South Wales, December 18, 1879.

Letters were received from Prof. S. F. Baird and Miss Mary A. Henry, respecting Prof. Henry's library.

A letter was received from Mr. J. G. Henderson, Win-

chester, Scott Co., Ill., January 6, respecting mound skulls.

Donations to the Library were received from the Asiatic Society of Japan; the Academies at Berlin and Brussels; the Ludwig Salvator Museum, at Dresden; the Geographical Society and School of Mines, at Paris; the Geographical Commercial Society, at Bordeaux; the R. Astronomical Society and Meteorological Society, in London; the Rev. S. S. Lewis of Cambridge, England; the Museum of Comparaative Zoology in Cambridge, Mass.; the Boston Society of Natural History; the American Journal of Science and Arts in New Haven; Prof. W. Carrington Bolton; the Historical Society and American Chemical Society, of New York; the Poughkeepsie Society of Natural History; the Pennsylvania Historical Society; the Franklin Institute; the American Journal of Pharmacy; the American Journal of the Medical Sciences and Medical News; Mr. Henry Phillips, Jr.; and Dr. B. A. Gould, Director of the Observatory at Cordova, South America.

The death of the Hon. Adolph E. Borie, at Philadelphia, on the 5th instant, aged 70, was announced by Mr. Price.

The death of the Rev. Dr. Rudder, at Philadelphia, on the 29th ultimo, aged 58, was announced by Mr. Price.

Prof. Cope exhibited suites of skulls of extinct mammalia (allied to canis, felis and ursus), obtained in the Tertiary deposits on the Pacific Coast, and described their order of evolution. Among them was the skull of a large cave-bear.

He then read a paper "On the Foramina perforating the posterior part of the Squamosal bone of the Mammalia."

New nominations Nos. 893, 894, 895 were read.

Mr. Fraley reported the receipt of the last quarterly interest on the Michaux Legacy, due Jan. 1, amounting to \$132.

On motion of Mr. Phillips it was

"Resolved. That whereas the Society was incorporated on the 15th day of March, 1780, a fact on which the late Mr. Robert M. Patterson laid

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great stress in his address before the Society in 1843, as having given 'to this Society for the first time a legal position which it now occupies,' and

"Whereas, The 15th day of March, 1880, will mark the hundredth anniversary of such incorporation, therefore be it

"Resolved, That the Board of Officers and members in Council be respectfully requested to make suitable arrangements for celebrating this anniversary."

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And the meeting was adjourned.

Stated Meeting, February 20, 1880.

# Present, 17 members.

### President, Mr. FRALEY, in the Chair.

A letter accepting his appointment to prepare a eulogy on Dr. Wood, was received from Dr. Henry Hartshorne, dated on the 9th instant.

A letter of envoy from the Harvard College Observatory was received, dated Jan. 29.

An acknowledgment of the receipt of Proceedings, No. 104, was received from Prof. Wm. P. Blake.

A circular letter of invitation to send delegates to the Centennial Anniversary of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, on the 26th of May next, in Boston, Mass., was read and its consideration postponed to the next meeting.

A circular letter of invitation to attend the celebration of the two-hundredth anniversary of the discovery of the Falls of St. Anthony, at 10 o'clock, A. M., on the 3d day of July, 1880, on the University Campus, Minneapolis, Minne-